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SUBJECT: CAMBODIA BEFORE 29TH UNGA: INDONESIAN VIEWS

1. EMBOFF ASKED INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR TO PARIS, GENERAL ACHMAD TAHIR, ABOUT ASEAN AND SPECIFICALLY INDONESIAN INITIATIVES IN FRANCE CONCERNING THE CAMBODIAN CREDENTIALS PROBLEM BEFORE THE UNGA. MR. TAHIR SAID THERE HAS BEEN AS YET NO INDICATION FROM JAKARTA THAT INSTRUCTIONS WOULD BE COMING SOON; SO HIS EMBASSY HAD NOT EVEN DISCUSSED THE MATTER IN A PRELIMINARY FASHION WITH FRENCH. HE NOTED THAT INDONESIA WAS UNDER VERY STRONG PRESSURES FROM OTHER "NON-ALIGNED" COUNTRIES TO STOP PLAYING ANY ACTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORT OF GKR. HE CLEARLY IMPLIED INDONESIA MIGHT BE LESS HELPFUL THIS YEAR.

2. EMBOFF NOTED THAT ASIAN NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES HAD NOT AGREED WITH ALGERIAN DECISION FAVORING GRUNK -- AS CERTAIN GOVERNMENTS INCLUDING HIS OWN MADE CLEAR AT THE TIME. BOTH AGREED INDONESIA COULD PERHAPS EXPLAIN ASEAN DEPARTURE FROM ALGIERS RESOLUTION BY A "COROLLARY" OF THE CONSENSUS PRINCIPLE THAT SUCH RESOLUTIONS WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE FULL CONSENSUS WHEN THEY

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WERE ARRIVED AT OVER THE OPPOSITION OF THE NEIGHBORS OF

COUNTRY CONCERNED. TAHIR NOTED THAT ARAB OR AFRICAN COUNTRIES WOULD PROBABLY RESENT A RESOLUTION ABOUT ONE OF THEIR NEIGHBORS WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY AN EXTENDED CONFERENCE OVER OBJECTIONS OF THOSE CLOSEST TO THE PROBLEM.

3. COMMENT; WHILE IT IS UNLIKELY THAT GOF WILL ITSELF DO MORE THAN ABSTAIN ON ANY RESOLUTION REQUIRING CHOICE BETWEEN GKR AND GRUNK, FRENCH VIEWS ARE INFLUENTIAL WITH FRANCOPHONE AND OTHER EC COUNTRIES. A MORE ACTIVE ROLE HERE BY ASEAN COUNTRIES AND OTHER ASIAN NEIGHBORS OF THE GKR WOULD THEREFORE BE VERY USEFUL.
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